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SUBJECT: NEW MINISTER OF RADIO INDUSTRY

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1. BEGIN UNCLASSIFIED. PRAVDA OF APRIL 9 ANNOUNCED APPOINTMENT OF P.S PLESHAKOV AS MINISTER OF THE RADIO INDUSTRY, REPLACING RECENTLY-DECEASED MINISTER KALMYKOV. PLESHAKOV HAS SERVED AS ONE OF MINISTRY'S DEPUTY MINISTERS FOR AT LEAST PAST EIGHT YEARS. END UNCLASSIFIED

2. BEGIN CONFIDENTIAL. AT SPASO HOUSE RECEPTION APRIL 11 IN HONOR OF SECRETARY BRINEGAR, SEVERAL EMBASSY CONTACTS IN MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (MCA) POINTED OUT MS. T.G. ANODINA, DEPUTY CHIEF OF MCA ADMINISTRATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AS WIFE OF PLESHAKOV. IF TRUE THIS REVELATION RAISES SEVERAL INTRIGUING POINTS NOT LEAST OF WHICH BEING APPEARANCE OF YET ANOTHER CASE OF NEPOTISM AT HIGH LEVELS OF SOVIET GOVERNMENT. (FYI. AT LUNCHEON SAME DAY HOSTED BY MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION BUGAYEV, MS. ANODINA WAS SEATED AT IMMEDIATE RIGHT OF SECRETARY
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BRINEGAR, IN PLACE NORMALLY RESERVED FOR PERSON OF

MINISTERIAL RANK. END FYI) USE OF MAIDEN NAME OR PSEUDONYM
BY ANODINA ALSO OF INTEREST. FINALLY, AS WASHINGTON
AGENCIES AWARE MS. ANODINA DEEPLY INVOLVED IN SOVIET AIR
TRAFFIC CONTROL (ATC) MODERNIZATION PROGRAM. WITH HER
NEWLY-REVEALED RELATIONSHIP TO HEAD OF RADIO INDUSTRY
MINISTRY, THE ORGANIZATION CHARGED WITH SUPPLYING BOTH
GROUND AND AIRCRAFT ON-BOARD RADIO AND GUIDANCE SYSTEMS
TO SOVIET AVIATION INDUSTRY, ANODINA WOULD APPEAR TO BE
MOST IMPORTANT DECISION-MAKER WITHIN MCA RE PURHCASES
OF ATC EQUIPMENT.
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